IN LOVING MEMORY OF

SISTER HORTENSE BRIGGS

Born: January 10, 1912
Departed: February 22, 1988

Lord who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill? Psalms 15:1

MEMORIAL SERVICE
Sunday, February 28, 1988 - 6:30 p.m.

FUNERAL SERVICES
Monday, February 28, 1988 - 11:00 a.m.

Emanuel Church of God in Christ
1649 Hayes Street
San Francisco, CA
Supt. James E. Briggs - Pastor

OFFICIATING
Evangelist Frank Anderson, Jr.
Russellville, Ark.

INTERMENT
Olivet Memorial Park
Colma, California

FUNERAL SERVICE

Monday, February 29, 1988

Elder Charles Bryant - In Charge

Organ Prelude	
Processional	
Invocation	Elder Uyleas Davidson
Old Testament	Elder Fred Wash
New Testament	Elder C. Huey
Selection	Choir
Expressions 2 Minutes	
Representing Deacons	Deacon Henry Sanford Deacon Eugene Mason
Representing Pastors	Elder George Dorn
Representing Superintendents	Supt. James Rice
Solo	Missionary Willie B. Dorn
Representing Women's Department	
Ready-To-Do	Sister Willie Mae Ross
Hospitality	Missionary Iola Spencer
State Y.W.C.C.	Sister M.V. Oler
Youth Worker	Missionary Dorothy Simmions
Representing Missionaries	Missionary Mary Welch
Pastors' Wives	Missionary Mary Hines
Mothers' Board	Mother Rose Ginn
Solo	Missionary Ruth Langston
As A Friend	Missionary Garilean Stewart
Christ Our Lord District Missionary	Missionary Robbie Hines
California Northwest Jurisdiction Supervisor of Women	Dr. Mattie McGlothen
Expressions	
California 1st Jurisdiction	Bishop B.R. Stewart
North East	Bishop L.B. Johnson
North Central	Bishop G.R. Ross
Presentation of Bishop	Elder Jerry Macklin 1st Assistant
Bishop of California Northwest Jurisdiction	Bishop W.W. Hamilton
Resolution	
Emanuel C.O.G.I.C. California Northwest Jurisdiction	Sister Edna Harrison
Acknowledgements of Cards, Condolences and Telegrams	Missionary Rubie Howard
Obituary	Silently Read
Solo	Missionary Joyce Sneed (When You Hear of My Homegoing)
Eulogy	Evangelist Frank Anderson, Jr. Russellville, Ark.
Parting View	Saints Christian Funeral Chapel
Recessional	

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sunday, February 28, 1988

Minister Bill Harrison - In Charge

Organ Prelude	
Processional	
Invocation	Elder Travis Herron
Old Testament	Minister Joseph Russell
New Testament	Minister Edward Chapman
Selection	Choir
Special Remarks	Missionary Adel Coleman
Expressions 2 Minutes	Emanuel C.O.G.I.C. Family & Friends
Solo	Sister Audrey Miles
As A Friend	Sister Hattie Owens
Expressions 2 Minutes	Christ Our Lord Distict
Solo	Brother Darrick Durham (Beautiful Garden of Prayer)
Expressions	Rev. Carol Nelson Wright Chapel AME Chapel
Scriptural Expressions	Supt. Anderson Hines, Sr.
Parting View	Saints Christian Funeral Chapel
Benediction	
Recessional	

Dedicated to the Bereaved Family

What Joy that Awaits Me

Walking with Jesus is such a pleasure
Praising His name is such a thrill
Trusting in His precious promises
Trusting and striving to do his will

Let me daily feel thy presence
Safely guide me every day
When the enemy tries to hinder
Your tender voice I will obey

When the journey here is finished
When life here on earth is o'er
Oh! What joy awaits me in glory
I'll dwell with Jesus for evermore

There I will know no pain nor sorrow
I will be in my home prepared for me
Where the saints will all be joining
Singing and shouting the victory

Composed by: Dr. Flora J. Taylor Evans (1975)

OBITUARY

"GIVE HER OF THE FRUIT OF HER HANDS;
AND LET HER OWN WORKS PRAISE HER IN THE GATES"
Proverbs 31:31

Hortense L. Briggs was born on January 10, 1912 in Burgin, Kentucky to the union of Pearl Seawright and Wayman McKitric. She was one of a family of two sisters and two brothers. At an early age Hortense sought the sweetness of Christ by joining the AME Methodist Church.

After moving to Louisville, Kentucky she met James E. Briggs and in 1941 they were united in holy matrimony in Harrisburg, Kentucky and moved to Elco, Nevada. To this union no children were born. But through a life of caring and sharing as foster parents, four lovely children were added, one boy and three girls.

In 1945 she came to San Francisco, California and in 1947 she was drawn to the Lord and was saved while attending services at the Emanuel Church of God in Christ, 1760 Post Street, under the leadership of the late Bishop E.E. Hamilton.

Sister Briggs served faithfully in various capacities of the church and she served well. She was a member of the Choir, the Communion Board, the Hospitality, the Ready To Do, and district president of the Ministers' Wives. She was a caring and sharing individual and enjoyed cooking and serving the saints. She was known throughout the Bay Area for her "Widows Dinner." This dinner was prepared and served in her home and widows came from far and near to dine and enjoy the Lord together.

Her health became impaired but she remained active as much as she could and for as long as she could. However, she could not overcome her afflictions, and on the morning of February 22, 1988 God called her from labor to reward. So, to her family and friends, do not stand by her grave and weep, she is not there, she does not sleep. Do not stand by her grave and cry, she is not there, she did not die.

She leaves to celebrate her home-going a loving and devoted husband, Superintendent Rev. James E. Briggs. One sister, Ms. Margaret Pearl Overstreet, of Cincinnati, Ohio. Three daughters, Ms. Karen Briggs of Lexington, Kentucky, Ms. Denia Briggs Russell, of San Francisco, California, and Ms. Vachell Briggs, of Oakland, California. One son, Mr. Eric Briggs, of San Francisco, California. Two nephews, Rev. Herman McKitric, of Redwood City, California, and Mr. Ralph McKitric, of Burgin, Kentucky. One niece, Ms. Bessie Pearl Wilson, of Pittsburg, California. Three grandchildren, Erica Briggs and Samuel Russell, both of San Francisco, California, and Paul Jones Jr., of Oakland, California. A host of other relatives, friends and a loving church family, the membership of the Emanuel Church of God in Christ, San Francisco, California.

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Deacon John W. Ross
Deacon Jessie Ward
Deacon Daniel Young

In Appreciation

We wish to express to you, our many friends,
our gratitude for your kindness in evidence in thought and in deed,
and for your attendance at the funeral service.
The Family